



Giant Mine Environmental Assessment

IR Response

Round One: Information Request - NSMA #05

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INFORMATION REQUEST RESPONSE

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Request:

The North Slave Métis Alliance (NSMA) identified a couple of Valued Ecosystem Components (VEC's) that are not included. The frequency and magnitude of Métis concern about the site should be measured and evaluated for significance. Also, the loss of economic opportunities for NSMA members associated with the permanent withdrawal of the site from mineral (or other) development should be evaluated.

Reference to DAR (relevant DAR Sections):

Section 3.6 Identifying Valued Components

Reference to the EA Terms of Reference:

3.4 Human Environment

Response:

The parties to the Environmental Assessment, EA0809-001, had an opportunity to explore Valued Ecosystem Components (VECs), during the Scoping Phase. The Giant Mine Remediation Project Team then followed the Terms of Reference requirements and addressed VECs in the manner presented in the Developer's Assessment Report (DAR) section, referenced in Section 3.6 Identifying Valued Components. If there are certain VECs that the North Slave Métis Alliance (NSMA) feel have been excluded, then the NSMA can consider bringing this specific information to the attention of the Mackenzie Valley Environmental Impact Review Board.

